

WJZ-TV  
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QUARTERLY SIGNIFICANT PROGRAMS REPORT  
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Station WJZ-TV, licensed to CBS Corporation, is responsive to the principal issues in its community of license, Baltimore, Maryland on a continuing basis. A variety of program elements, including regularly scheduled news and public affairs programming, reports on breaking news events, documentaries, specials, and public service announcements of concern to the community are included within our regular programming service. WJZ-TV's coverage of news stories, our employees' participation in community affairs, and regular interviews with community leaders have led to the determination that the issues listed are ones of importance to the Baltimore community. Our most significant programming, which dealt with current community issues during the preceding three-month period, are set forth in this report. WJZ-TV broadcasts both locally-produced and network programming. Although we include only local programs herein, WJZ-TV also broadcasts several network broadcasts including FACE THE NATION, 60 MINUTES, CBS REPORTS and 48 HOURS.

#### PROGRAM INDEX

##### CONSUMER WATCH

WJZ reporters cover consumer interest topics. These reports air in the 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

##### HEALTHWATCH

WJZ's medical reporter, Kellye Lynn, discusses health issues and interviews experts and patients to deliver information on the latest advances in health for our 4pm, 5pm and 6pm newscasts.

##### SPECIAL REPORTS

Locally produced special reports, focusing on community issues, local lifestyle trends and local personality profiles. These air in the 4pm, 5pm, 6pm and 11pm newscasts.

##### PUBLIC AFFAIRS OUTREACH

Relevant projects launched by community organizations to benefit area residents.

##### ON TIME

A half-hour, Sunday morning public affairs program that airs at 6:30AM, focusing on leaders, issues and events, affecting the Baltimore community.

##### HEALTH

###### **Eyewitness News did a story on...**

1/1 Looking younger now could help you feel that way long into the future.

1/4 You're more likely to suffer a heart attack during the winter.

1/5 Smokers trying to kick the habit could increase their risk of diabetes.

1/6 Breast feeding is not only helpful to the baby; it's also helpful to nursing mother.

1/7 New evidence suggests cell phone use may not be bad for our brains and make actually protect people from Alzheimer's Disease.

1/8 A new program in Howard County aims to keep senior citizens safe. Project Lifesaver was meant to track autistic children who get lost but now police are expanding the program for seniors.

1/9 We're halfway through the traditional flu season and doctors are still hosting H1N1 flu clinics, anticipating a boost in patients.

1/11 A new study from Johns Hopkins Children's Center shows lead exposure can cause kidney damage at levels once thought to be safe.

1/12 A new Johns Hopkins study could radically change how paramedics treat shooting and stabbing victims.

1/14 In Healthwatch, new research underscores the connection between diet and depression.

1/15 If you're getting weight loss surgery, you may want to lose some weight first according to medical reports.

1/16 Help to Haiti is on the way with today's departure of the USNS Comfort from Baltimore.

1/19 A pitch for a different form of screening for cervical cancer. A new study chooses the HPV test over the traditional Pap smear.

1/21 Doctors say salt is shortening our life span and now Baltimore City government is planning to address the problem with its citizens.

1/25 Researchers say video games can improve reflexes memory and attention skills in seniors.

1/26 State lawmakers are renewing efforts to legalize medical marijuana.

1/27 A team from Johns Hopkins Hospital is heading to Haiti to help earthquake victims and advise locals on rebuilding that country's healthcare system.

1/28 Each year more than half a million Americans die from some form of cancer. Some of the latest advances are being made at Johns Hopkins in Baltimore.

1/30 In Baltimore County health workers call it super Saturday, one day to administer the H1N1 flu shot to hundreds of people at several locations.

2/2 Research underway here in Baltimore could someday change the way doctors treat heart attack victims. Maryland scientists are looking to stem cells to extend the lives of these patients.

2/3 A new study shows that students lugging around heavy books in their backpacks may be back for their backs.

2/4 Recent research could change the way breast cancer survivors exercise. A new study is raising concerns about weight lifting.

2/5 Shock Trauma in Baltimore is expanding. The state announces federal funding for state of the art operating rooms in a new University of Maryland Medical Center building.

2/8 A new study shows a connection between the age of a mother and the risk of having a child with autism.

2/9 In Healthwatch, taking precautions to prevent patients from getting excess radiation.

2/15 A warning for diabetics in Healthwatch, that their medication could be bad for their bones.

2/16 The DaVinci, a new robotic approach to one of the most frequently performed gastric bypass procedures.

2/18 In today's healthwatch, the role of your primary care provider for women.

2/20 Anne Arundel County Medical Center gets women focused on fitness with a special information session and free massages.

2/22 A fight over controversial research in Maryland. Why the stem cell debate is heating up in our state.

2/23 Scientific research carried out here in Maryland helps explain why some people stutter.

2/25 In tonight's WJZ Fluwatch, doctors are still keeping a close eye on the H1N1 flu with many expecting a third wave of the disease to hit the area.

2/26 Supporters of legalizing medical use of Marijuana appear to be gaining ground. Many lawmakers believe it's the right thing to do.

2/28 A little girl, who had half her brain removed, captured the hearts of people across Maryland. Now there's a new foundation aimed at helping other children like her.

3/1 It's estimated that between 6 and 12 million kids are affected by head lice each year. A new study finds a safe new treatment could help kill lice faster.

3/2 In Healthwatch, scientists have come up with a new cold hard mathematical fact that women lost 90 percent of their eggs by age 30.

3/3 Plenty of people pop an aspirin for heart health, but a new study finds an aspirin a day may be of little value to some.

3/4 Concerns over newly revised prostate cancer screening guidelines. In Healthwatch, some doctors worry the recommendations are sending men the wrong message.

3/8 Possible help for people who can't find the right diet. In Healthwatch, a scientific approach may find the one that works for you.

3/9 Saint Joseph Medical Center sent out 169 new letters to patients informing them they may have gotten heart stents they didn't need.

3/11 In Healthwatch, many food producers are replacing high fructose corn syrup with sugar, but it may not be a sweet deal for your health.

3/15 In tonight's WJZ Healthwatch, calcium may help you live longer.

3/16 In Healthwatch, a startling new report on erectile dysfunction. Men with ED are twice as likely as others to die of a heart attack.

3/17 In Healthwatch, putting a contact lens on a baby's eye may sound difficult but it's a pioneering method for saving sight.

3/18 For thousands of future doctors, it's the day they've been waiting for match day. Students from the University of Maryland School of Medicine are among those across the country learning where they'll complete their residency.

3/20 The H1N1 crisis may have faded from the headlines but Maryland health officials warn another wave of the virus is possible. People turned out today for something new, a free mobile clinic in Baltimore County.

3/22 In Healthwatch, many parents are refusing to vaccinate their own children, but a new study shows that not getting shots can put other people at risk too.

3/23 In Healthwatch, a record number of women are giving birth from a C-Section and a new report explains the reason behind the increase.

3/24 A new study finds women need at least one hour of daily moderate exercise like brisk walking to avoid gaining weight.

3/26 Experts used to think that breast cancer survivors should avoid having children because the disease may return. New research is causing doctors to look at breast cancer and pregnancy in an entirely new light.

3/27 There was no break from the state house for house lawmakers today. They worked through Saturday to give initial approval to a health insurance measure.

3/28 It may be spring, but a new area program is using ice to promote good health among young girls. Figure skating in the city is teaching area middle school students about life.

3/29 You may not have known it but today is the official Healthy Maryland Day across our state.

3/30 Good news for chocolate lovers. A new study suggests eating small doses of dark chocolate every day could have significant heart benefits.

3/31 Some anti-smoking groups believe tobacco companies are using menthol to hook kids and minorities on smoking.

#### ON TIME

January 3 - Latania Tucker demonstrates several types of exercises that everyone can do to strengthen core muscles as well as exercises that work both arms and legs. She tells Kai Jackson that these exercises can be performed at home with little or no exercise equipment and are ideal for busy people with little time for exercising.

January 10 - Linda Scruggs, who has been living with HIV for 18 years, tells Kai Jackson about the resurgence of this disease. Presently it kills more women worldwide than any other disease. Locally in the Baltimore-Washington corridor, 79 percent of all recent AIDS cases have been in women – predominately women of color. She discusses how a clinical trial called the Grace Study targeted minorities for this program. Frequently barriers such as lack of transportation and child care keeps women of color from participating in these clinical trials.

January 10 - Today's tweens and teens are getting high from drugs found in the medicine cabinet. Steve Cline from the Partnership for a Drug-Free America explains some of the misconceptions about the harmful effects of prescription and over the counter drugs that are being abused.

January 17 - The problems of teen domestic violence was highlighted with the incident involving pop recording artists Chris Brown and then girlfriend Rhianna. Tania Araya, the Teen Domestic Violence Prevention coordinator for the House of Ruth, tells Kai Jackson about the frequency of teen dating violence, what the warning signs are and how the House of Ruth provides programs to address this growing problem.

January 31 - Kai Jackson talk with heart attack survivor Annie Lawler and cardiologist Dr. Mohammed Abuzahra about classic heart attack warning signs in women. Ms. Lawler describes her attack symptoms and how she was treated for the disease. Up to 80% women's heart disease is preventable through a low sodium and low fat diet and regular exercise.

January 31 - Health Care for the Homeless is moving their program across the city to an area adjacent to Our Daily Bread and the new city homeless shelter. Kevin Lindamood tells Kai Jackson how the new building will provide more programs and clinical services to the homeless population including children who will now be able to be use their new dental program. Their upcoming Chocolate Affair helps to fund some of the new programs.

March 7 - Colon cancer has come a long way since CBS News Anchor Katie Couric's husband passed away from the disease twelve years ago. Dr. Robert Akbari tells Kai Jackson on the warning signs, prevention screening procedures and treatment options. African Americans have a higher incidence of colon cancer than other ethnic groups.

March 14 - Dick Gelfman and David Greenberg tell Kai Jackson how their motorcycle event raises money for local breast cancer programs. Robin Prothro discusses how Komen Md uses the money from this event to fund programs for the underserved across the state. She discusses their upcoming education symposium on breast cancer that is being held on the campus of Morgan State University.

March 21 - Diabetes has become an epidemic as more and more Americans are overweight and don't exercise on a regular basis. Ellen Wallace tells Kai Jackson about the two types of diabetes, the symptoms, testing procedures and treatment options. Millions of Americans have the disease and don't know it.

March 28 - HIV and AIDS affects more and more African American women who are getting infected from heterosexual contact. Rev. Dr. Debra Hickman explains to Kai Jackson how her Sister Together and Reaching program educates women and offers programs to those already infected with the disease.

## **EDUCATION**

### **Eyewitness News did a story on...**

1/7 Baltimore County teachers say they are overwhelmed by a new student assessment form with hundreds of questions to fill out on each student.

1/14 Maryland schools are ranked number one in the country according to Education Week's annual report card.

1/17 The Cook Kids Campaign is raising money to build a tutoring center for children undergoing treatment for cancer.

1/18 It will be even harder to get accepted into several Maryland universities for the fall as the number of students applying rises.

1/19 Maryland students are finding way to help the victims of the Haiti earthquake sending relief to those in need.

1/20 Teachers say they'll show up in force at budget hearings next week in Harford County after the board of education votes in favor of salary cuts.

1/22 Maryland plans to apply for some of the millions of federal stimulus dollars up for grabs to school systems across the nation, but several lawmakers and teachers unions say the plan may hurt schools.

1/25 A new idea will be introduced at tomorrow's city school board meeting that could let middle school students choose which school they want to attend.

1/26 In Baltimore County, they're putting a stop to a plan to use a controversial new grading system.

1/27 Baltimore County teachers say the controversial new grading system doesn't help students or parents.

2/1 For one school just off Eastern Avenue the images of earthquake ravaged Haiti touched many of them. The students reached out and raised a huge amount of money for a very small school.

2/3 School districts statewide say a little extra cash in their coffers would help them make overdue repairs on school buildings. Many school leaders are turning to state lawmakers for the money.

2/5 A complete breakdown of the remaining snow days that school districts have throughout the area.

2/11 State school superintendent Nancy Grasmick is going to ask the state board of education to waive the 180 day requirement.

2/12 School districts across the region are being forced to decide when they will reopen their doors.

2/13 Last week's cancelled classes deprived tens of thousands of Maryland students of a free or reduced price school lunch.

2/14 Teachers may have to work an extra year to achieve tenure... Its part of a bill Governor O'Malley plans to introduce.

2/15 University of Maryland President CD Mote, Junior is stepping down after more than a decade.

2/16 It's been nearly two weeks since the state's first blizzard and today schools are reopening for the first time.

2/17 Schools need to figure out how to make up all the days missed during the snowstorms.

2/18 students could lose some of their vacation time because of all the days off for the snowstorms.

2/19 Howard County announces how it will make up the school days lost to the snowstorms.

2/20 As part of the Black Engineer of the Year awards, state superintendent of schools Nancy Grasmick honored sixty teachers and principals.

2/22 A Baltimore City school became the backdrop for a meeting on increasing funding for the successful "Teach for America" program.

2/23 The state school board makes a critical decision on how many missed school days students will have to make up because of the blizzards.

2/24 Coppin State University says it can save money by hosting its upcoming graduation ceremony on campus, but the decision is causing controversy among the students.

2/25 Baltimore students who love food will be competing against one another for hundreds of thousands of dollars in scholarship money. We spent time at one school as they prepare for the big show.

2/26 Ensuring good schools are in good neighborhoods... that's the goal of a private program that awarded thousands of dollars to areas in Baltimore that have achieved that feat.

2/27 Coppin State University unveils its new state of the art sports complex that nearly a decade in the making.

3/1 The Catholic Archdiocese of Baltimore plans to announce this week which of its 64 Catholic schools will close.

3/2 Protesters are expressing anger in Annapolis over a new proposal that would make cuts to the state education fund.

3/3 The Catholic Archdiocese is announcing which schools it will close following years of falling enrollment but students are rallying against the decision.

3/4 A Towson University professor is speaking out today after he's fired for using a racial slur in his classroom.

3/5 It was a difficult day for hundreds of students attending one of the 13 catholic schools slated to close at the end of the year.

3/6 Parents and students are Cardinal Gibbons rallied today to save their beloved high school from falling victim to economic woes.

3/8 Baltimore city schools reach a settlement in a class action lawsuit filed nearly 30 years ago by parents of special needs children.

3/11 More than a thousand high school students are in town for a robotics competition. They're getting ready for a fast-paced challenge to make all the right moves.

3/15 Just because the money is scarce doesn't mean the demand for it is. Schools around Maryland are making their pitch for state funds.

3/17 A bill could soon provide an incentive for people who donate to Catholic schools. With 13 area schools set to close, the proposal is sparking controversy.

3/18 Teachers and administrators at Reginald F. Lewis High School struggled to boost test scores and keep students safe on campus. A federal multi-million dollar grant may soon help them turn the school's image around.

3/19 Another step in the fight to keep Baltimore's Catholic schools open. Hundreds of parents, students and alumni head to City Hall, fighting for Cardinal Gibbons High School. They want the public school system to help.

3/23 The mother of a teenager killed by a train is trying to make sure the girl's classmates aren't at risk. Students at Kenwood High School got a lesson in train safety.

3/24 In Harford County, there's new concern over the possible closure of several elementary schools.

3/25 They were local legends, WJZ's Jerry Turner and Al Sanders. Two of Baltimore's most well-known TV personalities loved music and journalism. Now local students are encouraged to apply for scholarships in their names.

3/26 Despite tight city budgets one East Baltimore elementary school is getting a brand new library for free.

3/30 Teachers in Harford County could be forced to take a pay cut to offset a massive shortfall in the education budget. But the county executive announced a major change in his budget today to prevent that from happening.

3/31 A school in Baltimore County is showing children with special needs that they can be strong confident and caring. That's because some of the teachers are horses and they seem to know exactly what the children need to grow.

#### ON TIME

January 3 - Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Mary Crovo, Deputy Executive Director of the National Assessment Governing Board about the recent release of The Nation's Report Card for Mathematics. She discusses how this was the first time Baltimore City students were tested as part of the national program that examines 4<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders in large urban schools. Baltimore City's CEO, Dr. Andres Alonzo volunteered to have his students tested and over time, the program will track their progress in both math and English in 2 year blocks of time. On this report, Baltimore City was one of 7 new districts to participate and their ranking was in the middle to low out of all 18 participating districts.

February 28 - EBLO, the Education Based Latino Outreach program has been providing academic programs to Hispanic children for 30 years. The new executive director, Miguel Vicente, told Kai Jackson about his involvement with the organization as a volunteer in the after school programs.

March 14 - The South Baltimore Learning Center has been offering literacy programs for more than 20 years. Sonia Socha and Jeremy Davis tell Kai Jackson about the expanded literacy programs that now include computer classes. This program's enrollment has increased by 150%.

March 21 - Kai Jackson talks with Dr. Joe Hairston, superintendent of Baltimore County Public Schools about the prospects of having national academic standards in math and English. A panel of governors and state school superintendents released a report calling for uniform standards. Dr. Hairston discusses how Baltimore County has been ahead of the national movement by elevating standards in his district, the 26<sup>th</sup> largest in the country.

## **ARTS AND CULTURE**

### **Eyewitness News did a story on**

1/2 Two Maryland women help power the crystal ball that dropping Times Square on New Year's Eve.

1/4 Ravens fans are getting fired up for this year's first playoff game.

1/5 Take some hard work, determination and passion and it adds up to "Baltimore Attitude." A new website highlights the resiliency of Baltimoreans.

1/7 Football coaches on Coffee With talk about the first ever Salute the Troops Bowl pitting football greats against active duty military personnel.

1/12 Baltimore scores a goal as the city is now part of the United State's bid for the World Cup.

1/13 Young Frankenstein is coming to the Hippodrome and we went behind the scenes to look at the detailed makeup process.

1/15 Before and during tomorrow's Ravens game, fans will get a chance to see the lobsters Governor O'Malley won from his Patriots bet.

1/17 One of Baltimore's brightest stars is celebrating tonight. Actress/Comedienne Monique just won a Golden Globe.

1/18 A rare portrait of Edgar Allen Poe is set to be shown this weekend at Westminster Hall.

1/19 For the first time since 1949 the so called Poe Toaster failed to show up at the grave of Edgar Allan Poe.

1/21 After the economy forced the closure of the Baltimore Opera Company, opera is back in Baltimore. A popular performance overseas is making its American debut in Charm City.

1/22 Baltimore's restaurant week is back and better than ever starting today.

1/23 About 10,000 Orioles fans got the chance to pretend the calendar moved forward at Orioles FanFest today.

1/25 Many people from the local arts community are helping earthquake victims in Haiti including one man who is reaching out to a country he loves.

1/26 There are now two plans for what to do with the historic Senator Theater.

1/27 The musical group Milkshake from Baltimore is nominated for a Grammy for best musical album for children.

1/28 She's performed all over the world and tomorrow night Linda Eder will sing along side the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra.

1/29 If you're an animal lover the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium is the place to be this weekend for the 9<sup>th</sup> annual World of Pets Expo.

1/30 Keeping kids occupied with activities at the YMCA have kept them out of trouble for decades.

2/1 Baltimore based "Milkshake" was up for a Grammy last night in the best musical album for children category but lost out to Ziggy Marley.

2/2 Baltimore born comedienne and actress Monique is nominated for the best supporting actress Oscar for her role in the movie Precious.

2/3 Several local Hollywood movie rental stores are going out of business, the latest victims of an evolving industry. The home entertainment industry is undergoing a major renovation.

2/4 A special partnership between Morgan State University's choir and the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra highlights black history month and the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of a classic American opera.

2/5 Iraqi police officers walk the beat with Baltimore police to gain a better understanding of U.S. law enforcement.

2/11 The Motor Trend International Auto Show prepares to open at the Convention Center to try to get people buying cars again.

2/14 An Edgewood High School junior gets some help paying for college after winning WJZ's Black History Oratory Contest.

2/16 She's a well known jazz singer from right here in Maryland. Maysa joins us on Coffee With as her latest album debuts.

2/17 A Baltimore University known for its lacrosse program is now entering the arena of big-time athletics.

2/18 They say fire and ice don't mix but don't tell that to one inventive Bel Air man whose unusual snowman is the talk of the town.

2/19 Undercover Boss, a new hit CBS reality show, comes to Baltimore. A local worker got stuck with the boss but didn't know it.

2/20 A pair of teenage sisters testing for their pilot's license were at the Black Engineer of the Year award conference this weekend in Baltimore to inspire other teens to fly high.

2/21 At 82 years old Arthur Brown is one of the last remaining Black submarine veterans of World War Two and now he's on a mission to share history with others.

2/22 If you're a fan of the long playing record, you have reason to celebrate. A new store in Baltimore has opened and is selling only vinyl.

2/23 Exciting news for the National Aquarium here in Baltimore, one of its dolphins is pregnant.

2/24 The Tony Award winning musical "In the Heights" has come to Baltimore.

2/25 The annual Radiothon for the benefit of the Johns Hopkins Children's Center is off and running.

2/26 A Baltimore native lights up Hollywood again. Actress and talk show host Mo'nikue received a prestigious NAACP Image award tonight.

2/28 An auction to benefit Centerstage got Baltimore bidding today to help out the regional theatre.

3/1 Governor Martin O'Malley has declared the month of March "Read Across Maryland" month.

3/2 Trax on Wax, a store in Catonsville sells only LP's and is finding success with a limited market.

3/5 People are Talking at the Maryland Home and Flower Show.

3/6 As Spring approaches it's time for the search for the perfect prom dress but the cost adds up quickly. One organization is turning pricey prom dresses into priceless ones.

3/7 A staple in the city's skyline is getting some attention this week. The clock on the southern face of the Bromo Seltzer Tower is incorrect and has been for several years but a fix is on the way.

3/8 A Baltimore county native takes home a top prize at the 82<sup>nd</sup> Annual Academy Awards. Mo'nique wins best supporting actress.

3/10 Pulitzer prize winning novel turned musical The Color Purple is coming to Baltimore. Today we talked with one of the cast members from Baltimore who's looking forward to playing to a hometown crowd.

3/11 A special delivery at the National Aquarium. Jade the Atlantic Bottlenose dolphin gave birth last night.

3/12 Baltimore County fire personnel and Maryland National Guard members were on duty when a fire broke out at the Dundalk fire station. What happened next was heroic and today they were honored for their actions.

3/13 The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore finally reopened today. The zoo suffered major damage during the blizzards this winter. Today we spoke to people who braved the rain to see the animals.

3/17 A Baltimore County couple with an amazing love story is hoping you can help them win the wedding of their dreams. They've entered a contest through Crate and Barrel worth 100-thousand dollars.

3/18 The Episcopal Church approves the election of an openly gay bishop from Baltimore to its Los Angeles diocese.

3/19 Pimlico reveals some of its plans for the 2010 Preakness festivities.

3/20 A high-profile Grand Prix race is closer to becoming a reality in downtown Baltimore.

3/21 The second openly gay Episcopal reverend is weeks away from becoming a bishop. She once pastured a church in Annapolis and members there say they're pleased with her new post.

3/23 A piece of Baltimore TV history is getting a major makeover. Developers plan to turn Recreation Pier, which was in the TV show Homicide into a boutique hotel and restaurant.

3/24 Opera is often based on ordinary life and today it takes place right in the produce aisle at Whole Foods. Shoppers are taken by surprise as people stacking fruit suddenly break into song.

3/25 Another major step is taken towards a big change in Fells Point involving a piece of Baltimore history. A 45 million dollar project will bring a hotel to one of Baltimore's most popular neighborhoods.

3/26 High fashion and some really big bargains and it's all for a good cause. Tomorrow right here in Baltimore it's a designer sale where the price is right.

3/27 For the second year in a row, Baltimore City Hall has rows of vegetables outside its front doors. Crops grown in the courtyard will help to feed the city's hungry.

3/28 The Maryland State Boy's Choir makes beautiful music today to support the Prevention and Research Center at Mercy Hospital.

3/29 Baltimore's Jewish community is preparing for Passover. The holiday begins this evening. Ron Matz has more on a tradition that helps start the eight day observance.

3/30 They come to his Westminster machine shop from around the world looking for help restoring historically significant cannons. The latest restoration job comes from close by in Carroll County.

3/31 The entertainment world is mourning the loss of a veteran television writer from Maryland. David Mills worked on several series including "The Wire" and "The Corner" both of which were about life in nitty, gritty Baltimore.

## ON TIME

January 24 & February 7- Immigration issues and attitudes are the main themes of *Let There Be Love*. Playwright and CenterStage Associate artist Kwame Kwei-Armah tells Kai Jackson the reason he wrote this play that is receiving its American Premiere at CenterStage. He discusses how the immigration issues in Britain are similar to those in the US.

February 28 - Dr. Michelle Wilkinson tells Kai Jackson about the significance of the exhibition, “From Process to Print Graphic Works by Romare Bearden” at the Reginald F. Lewis Museum. She discusses his importance as an American artist as well as an African American artist and how he influenced others including playwright August Wilson with his creations.

March 7 - Kai Jackson talks with Angela Roberts-Burton, a National Parks Ranger, about slaves at Hampton Mansion and their upcoming symposium on slavery. She discusses the history of Hampton, the northern most plantation and the life of slaves owned by the Ridgely family.

March 14 - The BSO has begun a new program for “rusty” musicians. The BSO Academy is a first-time event that is a summer camp for adult musicians who want the experience of practicing and performing with professional musicians. This intensive training camp follows a public performance where the rusty amateur musicians got to perform alongside their professional counterparts.

March 21 - The Walters Art Museum’s new exhibition explores poetry and prayer in Islamic Manuscripts which date from the 9<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> century. Assistant Curator Amy Landau tells Kai Jackson about the significance of the artwork in the Walters Art Museum’s holdings – that they have the largest collection of Islamic works in North America.

## COMMUNITY

### **Eyewitness News did a story on...**

1/1 Thousands of Marylanders turn out at the Inner Harbor for the New Year’s Eve celebration.

1/3 A significant honor for several local priests. The Pope has name nine Baltimore area priests monsignor.

1/4 A group of neighbors against the plan to build a casino at Arundel Mills mall is refusing to surrender.

1/7 The controversy over a new proposed red line for the light rail. We looked at the results of a city commissioned study.

1/8 A new University of Baltimore study could generate more support for the proposed east west rail line.

1/10 Baltimore teenagers are already lining up to take advantage of the annual Youth Works program.

1/12 Anne Arundel County is the latest jurisdiction to propose legislation regulating tanning salons.

1/14 A recent crime wave in Guilford prompted an emergency meeting with police and neighbors looking for what they can do.

1/15 A Baltimore based non-profit struggles to learn the fate of its workers in Haiti.

1/17 The Westport waterfront in Baltimore’s southwest side has been abandoned for years, but now construction equipment has moved in to create one of the nation’s greenest retail and residential area.

1/18 Thousands in Baltimore took time out to celebrate the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Junior.

1/19 Fearing an end to their livelihoods, watermen made a rare appearance outside the statehouse in Annapolis.

1/22 Preview of Orioles Fan Fest with People are Talking.

1/23 A state lawmaker wants to add a slogan to Maryland's license plates saying "Home of the National Anthem."

1/25 Baltimore city police and Johns Hopkins Hospital are teaming up to cut down on crime through a new partnership focused on crimes caught on camera.

1/26 Powerball is coming to Maryland. A life sized Mrs. Powerball made the rounds in Annapolis today to let Marylanders know about the newest multi-state jackpot game.

1/27 An attack on a man near the Mt Washington light rail station has a community that is not used to crime worried.

1/28 Maryland based McCormick and Company is a global leader in spice making. Now Fortune Magazine ranks it as one of the best companies to work for.

1/29 A Maryland lawmaker is proposing forcing convicted drunk drivers to put a special license plate on their car identifying them as having a DUI.

1/30 A great response from Marylanders to help the people of Haiti. More than 3000 sets of crutches were collected by doctors at the Johns Hopkins' Children's Center.

2/1 Baltimore County kicks off single stream recycling today.

2/2 Ocean City is dumping five thousand dump truck loads of sand to protect itself against the next big Nor-Easter.

2/3 A major benefit for Haiti is being planned right here in Baltimore and it involves some big celebrities.

2/4 Opponents of a slot machine site near Arundel Mills submit thousands of signatures asking for a halt to the plans.

2/8 Baltimore City Councilman Jack Young is elected city council president.

2/9 Community concerns over snow dumped in the Inner Harbor harming the water quality.

2/16 Maryland lawmakers are considering tightening the state's texting and driving restriction.

2/17 This winter is seeing a substantial push for faster trains. A new study shows how Maryland could hop on board.

2/18 The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore is hurting after this month's history snowstorms and will have to delay opening.

2/19 A special team of workers, the Downtown Partnership's Clean Sweep Ambassadors, is busy doing one of the toughest jobs around, clearing downtown sidewalks of snow.

2/22 WJZ FM 105.7 The Fan is holding a fundraiser to benefit the Fuel Fund of Maryland.

2/23 As part of Black History Month, several officers in the Baltimore county police department are recognizing the progress of African Americans on the force.

2/24 The fight over bringing slots to a proposed parlor near Arundel Mills Malls continues tonight with a suit against Anne Arundel County by the developer.

2/25 Communities working to get better control of violent crime are taking a look at Baltimore. That's because something called Project Exile is showing promising results.

2/26 For some disabled children a new bicycle can mean a new life. Students at one Baltimore County school plan to give the gift of two wheels to disabled people in Ghana.

2/27 Baltimore city announces trash pickup will return to its regular collections locations after the heavy snow forced a change.

2/28 New efforts tonight by a Maryland consumer group to throw out the state's ban on online wine sales. The campaign has support from wineries, stores and buyers.

3/1 Baltimore city launches its census 2010 action plan in a push to get more surveys returned.

3/3 A baby sloth is born at the National Aquarium.

3/5 Camden Yards is named one of the top ten stadiums in Major League baseball.

3/8 Police say Baltimore County's crime rates are on their way down. The county released its crime statistics for 2009 today.

3/9 An effort to renovate or build 2000 homes in Park Heights got a boost today from the city. New federal and city money will help 60 homeowners throughout Baltimore.

3/12 Johns Hopkins University is ready to lead when it comes to the environment. The school is announcing an ambitious plan to cut its greenhouse gas emissions in half.

3/13 Baltimore City firefighters were out in the Mount Claire community talking to residents about fire safety.

3/14 Thousands showed up downtown today to be a part of the annual Shamrock 5-K.

3/15 A major infusion of cash is headed to Baltimore City to help fight crime.

3/16 Britain's famed Virgin Mobile Festival is coming back to Maryland and it means a big boost for the state's economy.

3/17 Arabbers, the street vendors unique to Baltimore, will soon get their horses back.

3/18 Following a settlement with the city and the Humane Society, Baltimore's Arabbers have custody of their horses for the first time in more than two year, but it'll be a while yet before those horses are back to pulling produce wagons.

3/20 We're learning more about Pimlico's plans for this year's Preakness race. Organizers are cutting the cost of admission and offering an all you can drink beer deal.

3/22 With the weather turning a corner, Ocean City is getting ready to welcome big crowds. The mayor says they've cleaned up after the winter storms and are ready for visitors.

3/23 Big changes are coming to Baltimore's Penn Station as Amtrak upgrades its communications systems. A station icon says she'll miss her job but its time to make way for the digital age.

3/24 A large corporation that owns Magna Entertainment is buying Pimlico Race Course and Laurel Park from the cash strapped company. Does this mean the Preakness will be staying in Maryland?

3/25 In Maryland a little disposable income can buy a favorite appetizer. But you may not know buying a plate of oysters is also an investment in the bay.

3/27 Hundreds of Loyola students, faculty and staff joined together today to participate in the fifth annual Relay for Life.

3/28 As thousands gather this weekend to mark the Passover and Easter holidays, one group of pastors are taking their prayers to City Hall. Gigi Barnett has more on the annual Blessing of Baltimore.

3/29 Despite the rain today, Baltimore County officials broke ground on a new park to celebrate the achievements of the county's Olympic athletes.

3/30 Taking public transportation is about to get easier. The Maryland Department of Transportation is unveiling a new system that makes riding the bus or train a cinch.

3/31 The 2010 Census is considered vital to the state and the city. It's a matter that has a major financial impact for Maryland. Tonight we explain the new actions being taken by city and state leaders and how the response rate is lower than hoped for so far.

#### ON TIME

January 10 - Author and attorney Charles Jerome Ware talks to Kai Jackson about the issues surrounding the immigration problem. His book, *The Immigration Paradox*, traces immigration policy and focuses on Cuban and Latina immigration issues. He discusses some of the cases he presided over while serving as an Immigration Judge.

January 17 - Kai Jackson talks with Baltimore City Councilmember William Cole about the recent events involving the upcoming resignation of Mayor Sheila Dixon and City Council President Stephanie Rawlings-Blake's transition to mayor. Councilman Cole discusses the city budget crisis including the police and fire pensions that dramatically affect the city budget deficit.

January 17 - The National Great Blacks in Wax Museum is commemorating President Barack Obama's first year in office with a special event that includes his wax figure and a narrative that begins with the slave ships during the middle passage and goes through the inauguration of the nation's first African American President.

January 24 & February 7 & 21 - Kai Jackson talks with representatives from the American Red Cross about the Haiti earthquake disaster. Mike Baisey and Doug Lent say that the time to prepare for upcoming disasters is now, not when they happen. They stress the on-going need for blood donations as well as donations to the International Relief Fund at the Red Cross.

January 24 & February 7 & 21 - The Great Baltimore Fire of 1904 is the backdrop of an event sponsored at the Fire Museum of Maryland. Associate Director Rob Williams tells Kai Jackson about the fire that destroyed 160 acres in Baltimore and destroyed over 1500 buildings. The event features a bus tour that outlines the devastation from the fire.

February 14 - The Black Engineer of the Year Awards has been held in Baltimore for 24 years and generates \$8 million each year. Tyrone Taborn, the CEO and Publisher of Career Communications, explains why this event is important for bringing diversity into the engineering, science and technology fields. He explains why the event is moving to Washington DC in 2011 as opposed to staying in Baltimore.

February 21 - Professor Michael Higginbotham tells Kai Jackson about the task force on electronic weapons and their recommendations. The task force recommended that more training be provided to law enforcement agencies across the state and that perception about the lethality of the weapon needs to be understood by police and civilians.

February 28 - Women in business are the emphasis of this year's 9<sup>th</sup> annual CCBC Women's Expo. Professors Kathleen Gandy and Larry Aaronson tell Kai Jackson about the increase in female owned businesses and how college classrooms reflect that trend as well. They discuss the purpose of the expo and outline several of the workshops being offered.

March 28 - Over 5 million women and children have been murdered in the Congo since 1997 which civil war broke out. Violence over land rights including mineral rights have resulted in women being brutally gang raped, maimed

and murdered. A group of American women have organized community run/walks in a effort to draw attention to this problem and raise money for Congolese women. Kai Jackson talks with the organizer of Frederick's 5K.

## **CONSUMER**

### **Eyewitness News did a story on...**

1/1 Anne Arundel County is missing out on some key revenue after state furloughs kept the circuit court from performing New Year's Eve weddings.

1/2 Baltimore has a program to help people who want to mulch their Christmas trees.

1/4 As Maryland's unemployment rate climbs, state leaders are set to begin debating salary increases.

1/5 According to the Baltimore Business Journal, Baltimore ranks as the third easiest place to find a job.

1/6 Gas prices are on the rise in the new year with the possibility of seeing three dollars a gallon again.

1/7 Governor Martin O'Malley is preparing to submit his state budget and once again he's got some tough decision to make in light of a nearly two billion dollar budget deficit.

1/8 This cold weather may have you boosting your thermostat but beware because higher BGE bills may be coming your way.

1/9 A new report says home sales in the Baltimore Metro area rose in 2009.

1/10 A Maryland man has created an Iphone application that allows you to track crime in your neighborhood.

1/11 Get ready to catch a ride today on Baltimore's new downtown shuttle bus system the Charm City Circulator.

1/12 Two Maryland lawmakers say they plan to introduce a bill that would increase the current alcohol tax by about 10 cents per drink.

1/13 A Baltimore based company is bracing for layoffs this week. Advertising.com, a part of AOL based in Locust Point is expected to let go a number of workers by Friday.

1/14 After years of delays another section of the West Side is getting a major makeover in the next phase of the downtown development.

1/15 There's talk of a new slots location in Prince George's County as well as legislation to move the Baltimore bids along.

1/19 All eyes are on Annapolis today as the Governor unveils his fiscal 2011 budget proposal.

1/20 If you thought your electricity bill was higher than usual last month you're right and BGE says your next bill probably won't be much better.

1/21 Baltimore is on a list that most cities don't want to be on... America's worst commutes.

1/22 Maryland unemployment numbers remain better than most states but the latest increase doesn't help the growing number of unemployed in the increasingly competitive job market.

1/23 While the first slot machine has yet to be played in Maryland, a state commission is looking at adding table games.

1/25 Anne Arundel Community College is getting more money to help fund some state of the art research labs.

1/26 Going green means more green for Maryland. Some 200 new jobs are coming to the region.

1/27 BGE customers can expect to see a 100 dollar credit on their February electric bills.

1/28 Millions of dollars in federal stimulus cash is coming to Maryland and it will go toward building a new high speed rail system.

1/29 President Obama comes to Baltimore to announce tax incentives for small businesses.

1/31 New figures released by BWI Airport show more people are taking to the skies and they're choosing to fly out of BWI.

2/9 People across the region are rushing out for food, batteries, shovels and other supplies but many are finding bare shelves.

2/12 The snowstorm has had an economic impact on many local businesses, not to mention trouble getting deliveries.

2/14 Governor Martin O'Malley extends Valentine's Day by one week to give businesses a chance to catch up from the business they lost during the snowstorm.

2/15 A Baltimore County councilmember is taking another step to keep kids away from tanning salons. A vote tomorrow could change the law on tanning.

2/16 The nation's largest shopping mall owner could soon own Baltimore's Gallery and Harborplace.

2/17 Homeowners in foreclosure could get some help from the General Assembly this year.

2/18 The state senate just passed an amendment that would take away pensions for legislators convicted of wrongdoing in office.

2/19 Two of the biggest names in Baltimore sports have teamed up. Olympic gold medalist Michael Phelps and Under Armour have signed a multi-year endorsement deal.

2/20 The bankruptcy sale of Laurel Park, Pimlico and the Preakness Race has again been delayed.

2/22 Maryland is increasing its efforts on the water and in court to track down watermen to illegally poach oysters. It's a reflection of the on going struggle to bring back the native oyster from a drastic decline.

2/23 As other local businesses struggle, Constellation Energy announces a huge profit.

2/24 A deal could be in the works to solve a pension crisis for Baltimore City police and firefighters.

2/25 Maryland lawmakers approve a limited ban on the chemical BPA.

2/27 Maryland is one step closer to a tax credit encouraging companies to hire unemployed residents.

3/1 If you've been to the New Year's eve fireworks at the Inner Harbor, Artscape or the Baltimore Book Festival, you've helped pump millions of dollars into the city's and state's economy.

3/2 A move to prevent fires could cost new home buyers thousands in Howard County. The county executive is expected to sign a bill requiring them to have sprinkler systems.

3/5 The Maryland General Assembly will consider a proposal to require only one license plate per vehicle.

3/6 An effort is underway in Howard County to encourage more people to harness wind power.

3/8 Cargo ships are getting larger and if ports are going to survive they're going to have to get larger as well. Baltimore's port started growing today.

3/9 Annapolis joins the list of cities struggling with a budget deficit and city workers are worried about losing their jobs.

3/11 Baltimore announced a major effort to convince Google that the city is the perfect place to launch an ultra high speed fiber optic network.

3/12 A twist in the push to allow voters to decide on slots at Arundel Mills. Opponents have collected enough signatures to put the issue on a ballot in November.

3/13 As the economy slowly turns around, thousands of Baltimore businesses and residents are still looking for ways to save. A seminar today gave them the help they needed free of charge.

3/15 State lawmakers try again to make it illegal to use a handheld mobile phone while driving.

3/16 Lawmakers in Annapolis work into the night as they try to make cuts to the Governor's 13 billion dollar budget proposal but with more cuts on the way, hundreds of workers gathered to make sure their jobs are safe.

3/18 A unique program is using a high tech method to make sure Baltimore City families have healthy food at home. It's a virtual supermarket that's filling a major void.

3/19 A multi-million dollar counterfeiting ring is shut down. Hundreds of thousands of shoes, designer handbags and clothes all seized at the Port of Baltimore.

3/21 WJZ is tracking the price of gas in tonight's pump watch report and drivers here in Maryland are paying more.

3/23 This City held its annual State of Downtown address today and in 2009 the recession took its toll on offices in Baltimore.

3/24 The Maryland Senate narrowly approves a bill making it illegal to use hand held cell phones while driving in Maryland.

3/26 The recession is sounding a sour note for the Baltimore Symphony Orchestra as musicians are forced to take a pay cut.

3/27 Some good news for new and veteran drivers. Young drivers in Maryland are ranked a some of the best in the country... but the state wants to make those numbers even better.

3/29 The Maryland Food Bank is getting some help from the federal government. Several Maryland lawmakers presented them with a check today worth almost half a million dollars.

3/30 Some welcome news for these tough economic times. Amtrak is announcing permanently reduced fares for some of its most popular destinations, including Baltimore.

3/31 Fewer lost bags when you fly out of BWI Thurgood Marshall, that's what Airtran Airways says will happen with its new baggage handling technology.

ON TIME

January 3 - Richard Anderson tells Kai Jackson how residential customers can sign up for an Energy Coop and save money on their heating bills. Consumers are able to join a coop that in turn uses its large purchasing power to obtain lower costs for energy. He tells Kai Jackson why coops can be a smart alternative when people are pinching pennies.

January 31 - The Baltimore CASH Campaign helps low income individuals and families with free tax preparation including the Earned Income Tax Credit. Joanna Smith-Ramani tells Kai Jackson that the city service files taxes electronically and as a result, returns are received in a matter of days. She warns of rapid tax offers by companies that charge hidden fees for this service.

February 14 - Neil Bergsman, the director of the nonpartisan Maryland Budget & Tax Policy Institute, tells Kai Jackson about the Governor's budget that was released to the Maryland General Assembly for review. He discusses the options for balancing the budget that reflected a \$2 billion shortage.

February 14 - Robin McKinney tells Kai Jackson about the Maryland CASH Academy to offers financial literacy classes in a wide variety of topics at various venues around the state. She discusses how these workshops can benefit people from all walks of life with information on credit reports to mortgage statements.

March 7 - Monica Copeland and Bert Hash tell Kai Jackson about Money Power Day, a free program that cover topics from how to buy a house, how to avoid foreclosure, how to start a business, how to improve your credit score as well as the opportunity to get free tax preparation help. They how everyone needs to improve their financial literacy.

March 28 - Kai Jackson talks with David Nevins, co-chair of the Maryland Highway Safety Foundation, about pending state legislation that would make it difficult for drunk drivers to get behind the wheel as well as another bill that bans the reading of texts from cell phones while driving. He explains how driving while distracted is causing more and more car accidents.